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Field Crops

Small grain harvesting is getting underway. **Alfalfa** harvest is active on over three-quarters of the State's acreage. **Alfalfa** condition remains mostly good to excellent. Range and pasture conditions across the State are very poor to poor.

Vegetables, Fruit & Specialty Crops

Last week producers in central Arizona shipped carrots and potatoes. Citrus produce was also shipped. Western Arizona shipped seeded and seedless watermelons.

Crop Condition

	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent	
	-Percent-					
Alfalfa	0	8	23	45	24	
Range and Pasture	52	24	12	11	1	

Crop Progress

	This Week	Last Week	Last Year	5- Year Avg.		
	- Percent -					
Cotton - Planted	92	85	93	91		
Durum Wheat - Headed	97	96	100	99		
- Mature	34	28	23	39		
Barley - Headed	99	97	100	99		
- Mature	50	45	43	48		

Weather Summary

Temperatures for the State were mostly above normal for the week ending May 21. Temperatures ranged from 4 degrees above normal at Paloma to 14 degrees above normal at Grand Canyon and Willcox. The highest temperature of the week was 107 degrees at Buckeye and Parker, and the lowest reading occurred

in Grand Canyon at 34 degrees. Precipitation was reported at 4 of the 22 reporting stations. Douglas received the most at 0.23 inches of precipitation. Tucson received the lowest precipitation at 0.01 inches. All of the reporting stations are at below normal precipitation for the year to date.

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Temperature and Precipitation Data

May 15 - May 21, 2006 Temperature Precipitation Past Departure Jan. 1 Station Avg. Dep. 1/ High Low Week to Date From Normal Aguila 81 9 101 60 0.00 0.29 -3.64 7 Buckeye 85 107 64 0.00 1.09 -1.48 Canyon De Chelly 70 10 89 45 0.00 1.36 -1.64Coolidge 81 6 104 56 0.00 2.37 -0.87Douglas 76 8 95 51 0.23 0.42 -1.64 Flagstaff 60 10 80 37 0.06 3.50 -5.25 **Grand Canyon** 34 60 14 83 0.00 2.45 -6.3579 60 Kingman 13 98 0.00 -2.551.13 Marana 83 9 104 63 0.00 1.15 -2.62 Maricopa 85 8 105 63 0.00 2.44 -0.43Paloma 81 4 58 0.00 -1.96 103 0.88 6 Parker 84 107 57 0.00 0.26 -1.82Payson 70 10 90 50 0.00 1.48 -6.31 Phoenix 91 105 76 13 0.00 1.57 -1.00 Prescott 71 13 89 51 0.05 1.70 -4.42 Roll 84 6 106 59 0.00 0.33 -0.63Safford 79 10 100 56 0.00 0.81 -1.43 St. Johns 74 13 94 51 0.00 1.28 -1.60 Tucson 84 10 99 64 0.01 0.42 -2.35Willcox 79 14 98 57 0.00 0.22 -2.47-1.70 Winslow 73 11 93 50 0.00 0.29 Yuma 83 6 104 60 0.00 0.36 -0.69

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^{1/} Departure of temperature for reporting period from average temperature for that week.